GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL AND MINES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3168
ANSWERED ON:10.12.2002
HEALTH CARE FACILITIES IN MCL
AVSM, BRIG.(RETD.) KAMAKHYA PRASAD SINGH DEO

Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a). whether it is a fact that adequate health care facilities are not available for the coal mine workers and staff working in the coal mines of the Mahanadi Coalfields Limited;

(b). if so, the reasons therefor;

(c). the hospitals / dispensaries proposed to be set up for them; and

(d). the steps taken for providing adequate health care facilities to the workers and staff of MCL?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL & MINES AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW JUSTICE (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a): No, Sir, As reported by CIL, MCL is providing adequate health care facilities for the coal mine workers and staff working in the Company.

b): Does not arise in view of reply to part (a) above.

(c & d): MCL is having 6 hospitals and 16 dispensaries. Out of 6 hospitals, two are Central Hospitals, one each at Talcher coalfields and IB coalfields. These two Hospitals have specialized Deptts. like Medicine, Surgery, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Padiatrics, Pathology, Radiology, Opthalmology, ENT, TB & Chest,Skin & VD, Psychiatry & Dental. Well equipped ICCU also exists in both the hospitals to deal with emergency cases. Super specialists like cardiologist, neurosurgeon, orthopaedic surgeon, neurologist, urologist & nephrologist attend the Nehru Shatabdi Central Hospital (NSCH), Talcher everymonth to see specialized referral cases of both the coalfields. MCL has 39 specialists of different specialities and 83 General Duty Medical Officers (GDMOs) to see day to day cases. A laproscopic O.T. was started on 4.3.2002 to undertake laproscopic surgery in MCL. Different cases like cardiac cases which needs angiography & bypass surgery, cancer cases & renal failure cases are referred to outside hospitals for treatment.